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Company: Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. Division: Electric

Nature Of Opinion

Docket Number: E-01575A-15-0312

Docket Position: Against

Once again SSVEC is proposing another raise increase after just raising the "Cost of Basic Service from \$8.25 to 10.25 in 2014. The SSVEC service area has been contracting with losses in population over the last five years and their 20th Century infrastructure costs did not get ahead of the continuing surge (which will continue) in solar power usage. This is a management failure. They continue to sponsor beauty pageants, golf tournaments, cars shows, etc., and need to grasp reality and cut expenditures and as a monopoly they have to reduce staff salaries and or positions to maintain fiscal soundness -- but chose rather to punish the 2% that spent a lot of money to capture the power of the sun and even create excess energy which goes to my neighbors and they pay the SSVEC for this excess power -- at full retail. We solar uses did not use any coal, natural gas or a drop of oil and should be rewarded instead of demonized as "not paying our full share," when in fact we are actually saving SSVEC the cost of purchasing power for their service area. I'm tired of hearing SSVEC management harp on the "have's and have not's," and prefer they address the "do's and the do not's," and treat all equally with punishing those who are fully cleaning up our planet. I'm afraid the men like Huber are fully in the Bernie Sanders world of economic envy and he needs to adjust his Bolshevik thinking into free market capitalism. Suggest a top down review and audit of the SSVEC business model and a realistic and equitable adjustment be made as soon as feasible.

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